

LATE NEWS BY WIRE

Another Apportionment Act in Indiana Declared Invalid.

LAW OF 1885 NOW OPERATIVE

Special Session of the Legislature Suggested.

WILL NOT BE CALLED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., January 30.—The supreme court this afternoon declared invalid the legislative apportionment of 1895, passed by republicans. The case came up from Sullivan county and involved the apportionment act also of 1893, passed by democrats. This also goes down as unconstitutional. By a former decision the apportionment of 1891 and 1879 were found invalid.

Today's decision makes it necessary to go back to the act of 1885, which is the last apportionment act passed that has not been successfully attacked.

The decision suggests that a special session of the legislature might be called to remedy the situation, which has become chaotic by today's decision. The legislature is republican, and Gov. Matthews has said that he would not call it together.

ROBBED AN EXPRESS CAR.

Everything of Value Taken Between Weehawken and Troy.

TROY, N. Y., January 30.—What was probably an extensive express car robbery on the West Shore road has been discovered in this city. The car was carrying cars on the train, one for this city and the other for Boston. Both had been sealed at Weehawken, but between that place and the city the Boston car had been entered and robbed of everything valuable. There were evidences that more than one man had been engaged in the job. The car was resealed here and sent to Boston on the Pittsburgh train, due in Boston this morning.

BACK IN INDEPENDENCE HALL.

Departure of the Liberty Bell for Philadelphia.

ATLANTA, Ga., January 30.—A special train bearing the Liberty Bell and a special escort made up of distinguished Philadelphians and Atlantans left this city this morning at 9:30 o'clock on the homeward trip for Philadelphia. The train will arrive Saturday morning. A large crowd gathered about the depot and took a last look at the bell. As the train pulled out of the depot it was loudly cheered, while the Atlanta artillery fired a salute. The bell is accompanied by an escort from Philadelphia and a committee from the late Cotton States and International Exposition Company. The bell came to Atlanta in October last, and has since that time been residing in the Pennsylvania building at the exposition.

CHICAGO'S CONVENTION.

Arrangements to Be Made at a Meeting Tomorrow Night.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., January 30.—Chairman Harrity of the democratic national committee left here today on the Pennsylvania limited for Chicago, to be present at the meeting tomorrow night of the subcommittee which is to have charge of the arrangements for the democratic national convention.

HUGH DEMPSEY'S CASE.

Labor Leaders Pleased at His Prospects of Pardon.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., January 30.—There was great rejoicing among the labor leaders today over the news that the state pardon board had recommended the pardon of Hugh Dempsey, ex-district master workman of the Knights of Labor, who was three years ago sentenced to seven years imprisonment in the Riverside penitentiary for felonious assault and battery in causing poison to be administered to the non-union men at Homestead mill.

A PRISONER'S ESCAPE.

One of the Convicted Seamen Gunners Climbs the Navy Yard Wall.

Raymond W. Fox, one of the seamen convicted of conspiring against the colored members of the class of instruction, made his escape from the Washington navy yard today. He and his three companions were engaged in police duty at the yard prior to their transfer to the prison ship at New York, and Fox took advantage of a favorable opportunity to climb over the wall and was away before he was missed. His desertion was at once reported at the Navy Department and a search was ordered for him. He was apprehended after two months. Now, in his escape, he stands an excellent chance of at least a year's imprisonment.

Convicted of Murder and Sentenced.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

PETERSBURG, Va., January 30.—The county court of Brunswick has been engaged for the past three days in the trial of George Baker (colored) for the murder of another negro named Robert Wilkins. The murder occurred in the hotel at Lawrenceville, Brunswick county, some weeks ago. The case was given to the jury this morning, and after short deliberation returned a verdict of guilty in the first degree. The court sentenced Baker to be hanged on March 20.

SENATOR'S SPEECH

Senatorial Dignity Shocked by the South Carolinian's Plain Utterances.

Talk of Having It Expunged From the Record, but That Will Hardly Be Done—Gossip in Both Houses.

Decision in the Cases of the District

Against Labor Dealers Who Violate Ordinance of 1862.

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Judge Bradley Says It May Be Used by Private Parties.

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PEACE SHOULD PREVAIL

The National Board of Trade Sends a Message to England.

Resolutions Adopted on a Variety of Important Questions—Closing Proceedings of the Meeting.

The National Board of Trade, at its closing session today, by a unanimous rising vote, directed the president of the board to send the following peace sentiment to the Associated Chambers of Commerce, London, England:

"The National Board of Trade of the United States, assembled in annual meeting at Washington, sends greetings to the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Great Britain, reciprocating all the friendly sentiments uttered by English commercial bodies, and expresses the earnest wish that commerce and industry, representing the great progressive and civilizing forces of the world, may honorably avert collision between the English-speaking nations, who, more than any other, represent the sentiment 'Peace on earth, good will to men.'"

The committee on railroad transportation made a report, which was approved by the board, and the board then proceeded to look to the government ownership of railway lines, but strenuously advocates a wise, firm and continuous supervision over the railroads, and the board recommended the passage of the Smith House Bill No. 3459, now pending in Congress.

It was also resolved that in the opinion of the board, the government should at once pass a law making any person who has been a director, officer or employee of any corporation engaged in the business of international trade ineligible for appointment as assignee or receiver of such corporation.

At the conclusion of the business and after the board had adjourned, the president, Frederick Fraley, at their head, visited the White House in a body to pay their respects to President Cleveland.

Received by the President.

The President this afternoon received the members of the national board of trade at the White House by appointment. The members were introduced by Mr. Stannard of St. Louis, who delivered a short address explanatory of the history and objects of the organization. In response the President said he was very glad to have the opportunity to meet the board, and that he was very glad to have the opportunity to meet the board, and that he was very glad to have the opportunity to meet the board.

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OPPOSED TO BONDS

Views of Mr. Mitchell as Expressed in a Senate Speech.

He Thinks That an Increase in the Public Debt is Not Necessary—Talk About Silver.

Senator Mitchell of Oregon made a speech in the Senate today on the silver-bond bill, in the course of which he said that the question presented was whether it was necessary to increase the bonded indebtedness to maintain the gold standard, and by a greater use of silver restore it to its primary place as money of the Constitution.

The Constitution and the platforms of the republican party, he declared, were in accord in demanding the use of both gold and silver, and quoted Daniel Webster on the Constitution as declaring that the coinage of both gold and silver was a command.

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